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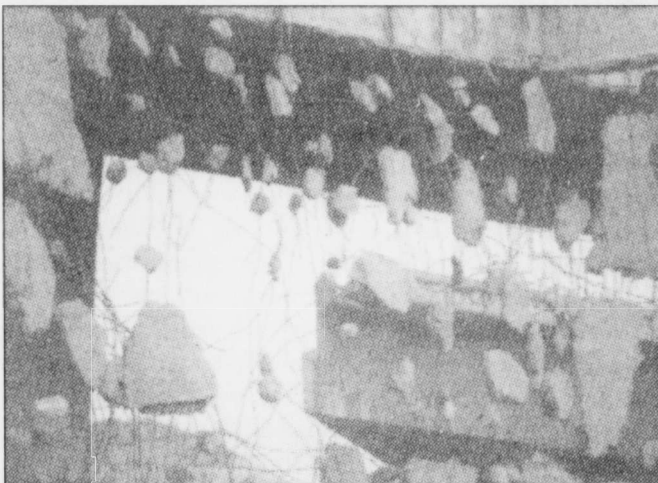
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Geographically, San Luis Obispo sits far away from the urban sprawl of Southern California. But last Monday, many Cal Poly students who've come here from the Southland were reminded of their attachments to the region when a 6.6-magnitude earthquake rumbled through Los Angeles. • In its wake, the quake has left more than broken glass and shifted foundations: It has again shattered what Californians know is a rather precarious peace with nature. When the earth moves, it jars the serenity of life. It alters the spirit of place. And nothing seems the same. • The families of Daily Photo Editor Steve McCrank and Staff Writer Elizabeth Potruch were, to varying degrees, directly impacted by the earthquake. Last weekend, McCrank and Potruch journeyed home. Here is what they found.



ON SHAKY GROUND

Steve
MCCRANK
Valencia was suffering'

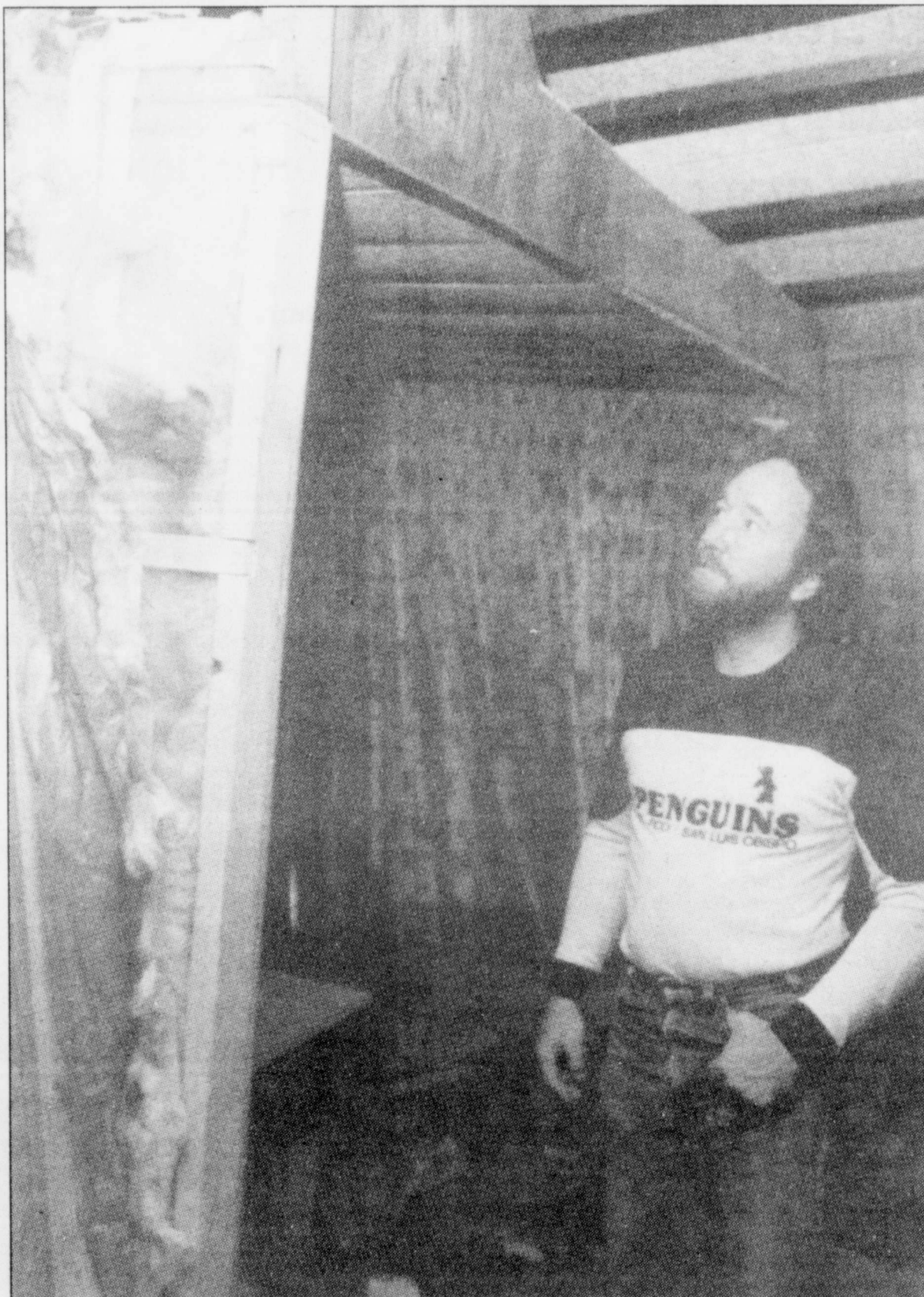
It was unreal!
Catastrophes never strike planned suburban communities such as Valencia. What used to be private residences quickly became open houses for members in the community. Slump walls dividing the individual homes from each other, and the main roads in the Santa Clarita Valley were now piles of crushed brick.

Located approximately 10 miles from the epicenter in the San Fernando Valley, Valencia is now home to the worst freeway damage caused by the quake — the collapse of I-5 and I-14.

I spent all day on the day of the quake dialing phone numbers, trying to find out if my friends were alright. Once I did, I had to calm them down. My mind was lost in my imagination of what my hometown must be like. Finally, I couldn't concentrate on hitting the books, so I hit the freeway.

There wasn't anything out of the ordinary until I hit I-5. Only trash and tumbleweeds were rolling down the road; cars were nowhere in sight. The freeway condition signs all

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Elizabeth
POTRUCH

'I felt like someone ripped my heart out'

After days of allowing my imagination to run wild, envisioning what my parent described to me over the telephone, I had to go home and see it for myself.

"This is not my house!" I exclaimed as I entered the unstable structure in the hills of Valencia.

Cracks ranging from three inches to 15 inches deep covered the walls and floors. The roof, bowing in the middle, looked as if it was going to cave in at any minute.

My house looked as if it was built directly over the unnamed fault geologists

have recently discovered. A crack which tore through the street out front extended through the entrance way, the living room and the backyard.

When I arrived home last week, the crack was approximately one-and-a-half inches wide. By the time I left on Monday, it had nearly doubled.

From the moment I arrived home, the house had not stopped shifting. With each aftershock, more structural damage surfaced. My parent's bathroom was slowly

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Returning home last weekend to aid his parents and friends, Daily Photo Editor Steve McCrank was surrounded by devastation. What he saw: At top, the frayed remnants of Interstate 5 create an eerie, abstract silhouette. In the middle, Frank Thomas, a 1988 Cal Poly mechanical engineering graduate, surveys the tilted angle created by the shifting of his mobile home in Valencia. The room he is standing in was the only in the home that did not collapse when its foundation slipped.

Trustees grant CSU presidents salary boosts

\$200,000 expenditure called minimal

By Len Arends
Daily Assistant Managing Editor

Cal Poly President Warren Baker and 17 other California State University presidents were granted pay raises by the Board of Trustees on Tuesday.

In a voice vote taken at the Long Beach office of the CSU, the board decided to increase the salaries for 18 of the presidents of the CSU's 20 campuses by an average of 8 percent. Baker's raise was much higher than the average. He will receive an 18 percent or \$22,323 raise.

The interim presidents of CSU-Long Beach and Stanislaus will not receive raises because their positions await full-time presidents.

For Cal Poly specifically, the raise means that, effective April 1, Baker will receive \$22,323 more per year in compensation — making his total salary \$146,343 annually.

The Daily monitored the board's deliberations via a remote phone link, which made identification of those speaking difficult.

Some of those present at the meeting argued that the presidents were not only entitled to the raises they received — which totaled approximately \$207,000 — but deserved more.

Trustee Ted Saenger pointed out that three years ago — when CSU campus presidents' salaries were last evaluated — the board reneged on a promised cost-of-living increase for the presidents.

Another trustee cited the example of Blenda Wilson, president of CSU-Northridge, and how she handled the crisis at her campus following last week's 6.6 earthquake.

Wilson had given a presentation just previous to the board's discussion of salary increases, during which she was applauded for her professional organization of the recovery at her rattled campus.

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State of the Union: President promises safer, healthier U.S.

By Tom Raum
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Proclaiming progress on his promises to break gridlock and revive the nation's economy, President Clinton challenged Congress Tuesday night to move promptly on health care and welfare reform. "Our work has just begun," he declared in his first State of the Union address.

"We must do both at the same time," Clinton told a joint session of Congress.

Upping pressure on Congress to pass the health-care reform plan he proposed, Clinton — who has yet to veto a bill — threatened to veto any measure that does not meet his standard of universal coverage.

"If the legislation you send me does not guarantee every American private health insurance that can never

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WEDNESDAY

37 school days remaining in winter quarter.

TODAY'S WEATHER: Partly cloudy, slight chance of lingering rain; NW winds to 15 m.p.h.

Expected high/low: 60 / 37 **Tuesday's high/low:** 56 / 38

TODAY

- Peer Health Recruitment orientation meeting, Health Center lower level, noon — 756-5252
- ASI Board of Directors meeting, 7 p.m. — U.U. 220

THURSDAY

- Peace Corps information booth, Jan. 25-27, U.U. Plaza
- Physics Colloquium, "Atomic Force Microscope: The Secret to Its Success," Dr. Linda Vanasupa, Science E-45, 11 a.m.
- Peer Health Recruitment orientation meeting, Health Center lower level, 2 p.m. — 756-5252
- "Political Transformation and the New American," Dr. Michael Lerner, presented by the Cal Poly Lyceum, Chumash Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. — 756-2239/1257

UPCOMING

- Non-denominational Christian "Praise Fire," Jan. 28, west of Avila Beach Pier, 7 p.m. — 773-3018
- Priority filing deadline for 1994-95 Financial Aid — Mar. 2

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CLINTON: Pledges welfare reform

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be taken away, I will take this pen, veto that legislation, and we'll come right back here and start over again."

Clinton took advantage of — and some of the credit for — the improving economy to call for Congress to "continue our journey of renewal" by enacting the remainder of his domestic program.

"We replaced drift and dealock with renewal and reform," Clinton said.

Turning to crime, Clinton voiced strong support for legislation that would put 100,000 more police on the beat, send three-time felons to prison for life and ban assault weapons.

"Violent crime and the fear it provokes are crippling our society, limiting personal freedom and fraying the ties that bind us," Clinton said.

He also urged sportsman to "join us in a common campaign to reduce gun violence."

The emphasis on crime follows polls suggesting that crime has become the No. 1 concern of most Americans.

The president also included a strong pitch for overhauling the nation's welfare system.

He said his welfare reform package will withhold certain benefits to pregnant teens. "We will say to teenagers, 'If you have a child out of wedlock, we will no longer give you a check to set up a separate household. We want families to stay together.'"

Welfare reform was given added emphasis in the speech after Senate Finance Committee Chairman Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York complained about inattention to the problem. His committee will handle both health care and welfare reform.

Clearly the centerpiece of Clinton's agenda remained his health-care plan — which would extend coverage all Americans, largely by requiring all employers to pay 80 percent of the cost.

CLINTON OPINION SAMPLER

How do Cal Poly students feel about President Clinton and his first year as the nation's leader?

A random sampling compiled by staff writer Clark Morey from across campus on Sunday and Monday:

"I haven't seen a lot of results. I guess I expected a little more."

Rich Goselin
Business senior

"I think he's doing the best job he can. You can't bag on him for trying."

Amy Payne
Soil science senior

"He's had 12 years of debauchery to deal with beforehand from Reagan and from Bush. I think he's done a good job."

Jon Lighty
Architecture senior

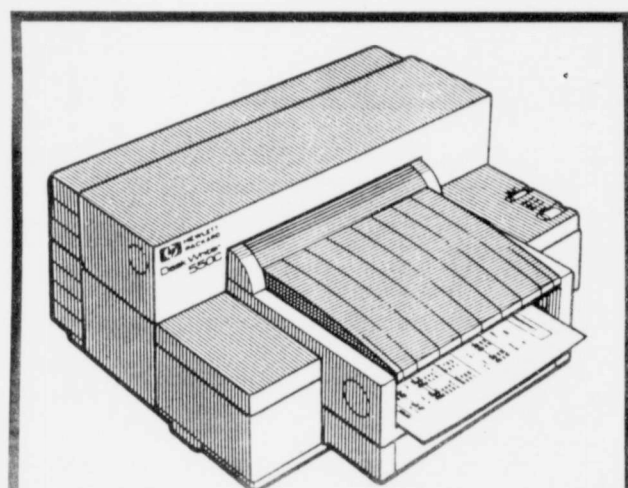
"People seem to discredit the positive things Clinton has brought about in his first year as president by focusing on allegations and scandal."

Rebecca Board
English graduate student

"I'm a Republican and I think he's doing a good job. I'm a runner, and when I see him run I feel really connected with him."

David Huntley
Industrial technology senior

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Quake survivors attempting normality; returning to schools, homes

By George Gatties
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Children trooped back to earthquake-battered schools and frightened residents started straggling home from soggy, makeshift settlements Tuesday as the city kept creeping toward a warped normality.

President Clinton asked Congress for \$7.5 billion to rebuild highways and get families and businesses back on their feet following the Jan. 17 earthquake whose death toll rose Tuesday to 61.

And the city's 5.6 million commuters refined techniques for threading the maze of crumpled concrete, driving long detours, car-pooling and riding the train.

Lesson plans gave way to counseling sessions and group

discussions as the 640,000-student Los Angeles Unified School District resumed classes for the first time since the Friday before the quake.

"I guess it's safer to be here than at home," said 14-year-old Monica Renderos at James Monroe High School in Sepulveda, near the quake's epicenter in the San Fernando Valley. "At home you run around like an idiot. Here they tell you what to do."

"If they say it's safe here, it's safe."

District officials weren't immediately able to provide attendance figures. Several principals in the hard-hit San Fernando Valley reported attendance was 40 percent to 60 percent of normal.

About 65,000 students had no classrooms to return to because 76 schools were closed by quake

damage.

There were signs that thousands of people were finally leaving Red Cross shelters and tent cities where they had been living because fear of aftershocks kept them from returning to homes that were declared safe. Rain and temperatures in the high 30s appeared to accomplish what bureaucrats, priests and social workers had failed to do in days of pleading.

"Yes, I'm afraid, but I'm sick," said Jerman Ruiz, as he left a tent at Lanark Recreation Center with his wife and daughter, bound for a creaky apartment. "What can I do?"

About one-third of all people in tents and shelters over the weekend were "voluntarily" homeless, said James Lee Witt, director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The rest

had homes that really were too damaged to safely live in.

The total number of people living in Red Cross shelters and National Guard tents declined overnight from 15,672 to 11,788, agencies reported.

FEMA estimated that 14,110 houses or apartment units are uninhabitable. The agency has received 64,674 applications for assistance ranging from temporary rent subsidies to grants and loans.

Long lines have been reported at state unemployment offices after people tried to go back to work, only to find their businesses closed.

"I've never done this. I don't even know what I'm doing," said Maria Johnson, 66, who came to the unemployment office in San Fernando because the J.C. Penney store where she has worked

for 21 years was too damaged to open. "We don't know if it will reopen or not," she said. "We just have to wait."

Other developments:

- The death toll climbed to 61 with the death of a woman who was injured in a car crash the day of the quake. The Los Angeles County coroner also added an 88-year-old man who died of a heart attack and hip fracture. The coroner now lists 57 deaths. Four other deaths, one in San Bernardino County and three in Los Angeles County, have been independently confirmed by The Associated Press.

- Residents were allowed to retrieve their belongings from the Northridge Meadows apartment complex, which collapsed and killed 16 people.

POTRUCH: 'How can a house off its foundation by a few inches be safe?'

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separating from the house and there wasn't anything anyone could do. It was like living in a condemned building which was ready to crumble at any time.

Throughout the week, my mother would walk around the house and then suddenly break down in tears. I would walk over to her and give her a hug, but I knew it was only temporary comfort. This was her home, her security. And it was now in ruins.

My mother was not the only family member who was emotionally scarred by the destructive earthquake. My sister, 18, and my brother, 15, refused to set foot inside the house. They spent the days and nights with family friends whose homes were

declared habitable. Even though she was not sleeping in my home, my sister said she still had trouble sleeping through the night. Like everyone else in Valencia, she was afraid of another 5.1 aftershock.

Believe it or not, my home was deemed habitable... by a retired police officer from San Diego. This man, who probably wouldn't have even noticed if the roof was lying on the kitchen floor, was sent by the county to inspect my home and posted a gold "habitable" sign on our garage door.

I was appalled when he did this. I asked my parents, "How can a house which is off the foundation by a few inches and is constantly shifting be declared safe to live in?" They had no

answer.

"The house is going to have to be almost completely rebuilt," my father said as tears formed. "The good news is now we can change the color scheme and replace the carpet, which the dog has ruined over the years."

Going back and seeing video footage my father took from the morning of the 6.6 quake and its present condition helped ease my imagination of what the house looked like after the hard-core rumbling subsided. I felt better seeing for myself what damage the earthquake caused, but at the same time I felt like someone ripped my heart out and tore it into tiny pieces.

It's just not fair.

Gov't. marks \$7.5 million in aid funds to Los Angeles

By Martin Crutsinger
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration wants \$7.5 billion in federal spending to aid earthquake victims in California, officials said Tuesday. They urged Congress to act quickly to speed the flow of relief funds.

White House Budget Director Leon Panetta said the administration would send Congress an emergency supplement-

tal budget request Wednesday for \$6.61 billion that would be added to \$897 million in contingency federal funds that already have started flowing to California.

Panetta called the \$7.5 billion estimate a "placeholder" that would likely rise as the administration receives more complete damage estimates.

McCRANK: 'All people could talk about was the horror of Monday'

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flashed "I-5 South closed." But the freeway didn't close until I reached Interstate 138, where all traffic was diverted to Palmdale. The only way to continue was to prove to the Highway Patrol that you lived in the Santa Clarita area. The rest of 30 miles into Valencia was on an empty, five lane freeway.

Upon reaching Valencia, the atmosphere changed from dead silence to chaotic commotion. The sky was filled with army, CHP and news helicopters. The streets screamed with sirens.

The signs were immediate that Valencia was suffering.

Everywhere windows were blown-out, roofs had collapsed, piles of bricks and blocks filled the places where people used to live and shop, and then there were the warped streets. The two-story shopping center across the street had already been red-tagged, which meant absolutely no access.

I know people who lost their houses — some of them are good friends — yet I had no idea that almost all of the 50,000 residents were spending the days and nights in tents in their front yards. Many of my neighbors grouped tents together in one person's yard in order to comfort

each other's families. But people stayed in the tents — not necessarily because of damage but from the fear of what could happen in their sleep.

All people could talk about was the horror of last Monday morning. The sheer violence of the shaking left most people in a frozen panic, too scared to run for cover. My parents just held onto each other until it finally bounced them off of the bed. My roommate, who happened to be one block from the epicenter, screamed uncontrollably in belief that this was going to be the end of his life.

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Michael Jackson settles, Lorena's not guilty... NOW what do we print?

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Carolyn
NIELSEN The penis itself
isn't the point

Lorena Bobbitt. The mere mention of the name evokes twinges in the groin area of men everywhere. Frankly, I'm sick of hearing about her because it seems that no one, television media included, can get past the sideshow aspect and learn the lessons that should be learned.

I find men's reactions to the verdict most interesting. Men have had the tables turned on them, and are experiencing what it feels like to be outraged — to feel as if an injustice has been done to their entire gender.

They are huddling together discussing the matter in angry voices. "How could she get away with that?" they ask one another incredulously. But where was that disbelief — that feeling that justice had failed — when John Bobbitt was acquitted of rape?

I don't think Lorena should have gone unpunished. But I don't think John should have either. Granted, what she did to him was easy to prove, and his alleged raping and beating of her was not. But I believe Lorena. Although I still don't think that gives her license to dismember (no pun intended) her husband. However, after the ordeal Lorena claims to have been through, she should be required to have extensive psychotherapy. Her husband deserves at least the same.

How could they acquit Lorena? What I want to know is where that sense of outrage was when millions of women in Bosnia are being viciously raped? Why is there not a sense of frustration every time a woman is raped, beaten or sexually harassed? Where was this pious self-righteousness when Clarence Thomas was confirmed to the Supreme Court? Why was William Kennedy Smith sent on his merry way with a hearty pat on the back because, hey, "she asked for it?"

The media circus surrounding the Bobbitt case was sensational and ignored the larger issue — violence against women.

It was this violence that led Lorena to carry out her brutal attack. But what people are focusing on, is that she escaped repercussions. And the main concern of many men, the whispered fear — is that others may follow in Lorena's footsteps.

Now the spotlight is on the male victim. A man's body was violated. A man was robbed of his dignity.

But female rape victims are treated differently. Their names are kept out of the press. In televised trials, their faces are obscured. They are kept in a dark shame, not wanting anyone to know.

Then we have John who appeared on umpteen talk shows. He didn't feel the need to shroud himself in shame. He appeared as a survivor rather than a victim. Whether this is because he is male or because he was not ashamed, is not for me to say. But I find the difference in reactions a telling comparison. Are women socialized to forfeit their dignity and men to keep theirs?

I am sincerely disappointed when I hear a man say women are elated Lorena "got away with it." Not only would that be inaccurate, but it would be hypocritical for women to condone the violation of a man.

What saddens me the most, is that nothing will be learned from the Bobbitt's misfortune. Few people will concern themselves to curb, or even understand, escalating sexual violence.

Just as I am sure there are some misguided women who will see Lorena's acquittal as a win for the female gender, there will be men who will continually fail to understand that "no" means "no."

I hope the Bobbitt trial will teach every person a lesson in outrage, and awaken in them a cry of horror for every victim.

But I'm not that optimistic.

• Carolyn Nielsen is a Daily senior editor. Her column will appear here every other Wednesday.

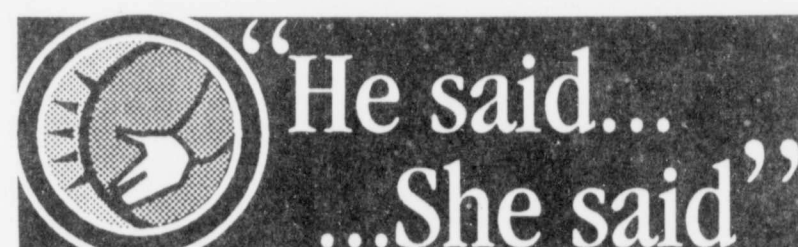
REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK



Call time out — Troy's water just broke!

If men could have babies: Part I

By Troy Petersen



It was the bottom of the ninth inning. We were down by two runs with the bases loaded. All I could do was wait for the call.

Finally the manager looked my way, lifted his enormous index finger, and with a nod of confidence, pointed my way.

This was the moment I had dreamed of — being called in to pinch hit — with the outcome of the seventh game of the World Series hanging in the balance. But then it happened.

As I rose off the bench, there was a sudden jolt followed by a cool, moist feeling in my midsection.

My water had broken, and I was going into labor.

What would happen if men could get pregnant? Despite the obvious physical limitations, the possibility of male fertility is an interesting contemplation.

For all you beer-drinking, sports-watching, popcorn-eating, wanna-be jocks, being pregnant could be another excuse to lounge around watching football on Sunday. "Honey could you bring me a beer ... ur ... a root beer?"

Of course, if you're a baseball fan like myself, you'd probably rather conceive in mid-February, so the pregnancy is at its prime for the playoffs and World Series in October.

I better call and order my Craftsman adjustable bed now. The family easy chair certainly won't support all 300 pounds of me at that point.

Picture this: A balding middle-aged man waddling down the street because of a giant bulge that isn't a beer belly.

And what about the initial stage of pregnancy where the human digestive track proclaims civil war on itself — and the toilet ends up with all the glory? I already hate mornings. I couldn't imagine spending three months wondering if the Fruit Loops I ate for breakfast will stay down.

Of course, 20 minutes after the war was lost, I'd have urges to dip chocolate chip cookies in barbecue sauce, to fill the void left by the previous intestinal altercations.

The thought of carrying life inside of us is odd, to say

the least. It's certainly different than the other living presence men are used to dealing with — athlete's foot.

I don't think I'm ready for child bearing. I won't ever have sex without a condom. If she doesn't bring one of her own, I'll provide it for her.

But what if the condom breaks — you know, that one time out of a hundred — when I happen to be most fertile? I really hate the idea of abortion, although I do believe in the freedom of choice. What would I do?

On one hand, I could pay the doctor to take care of my problem and let my guilty conscious do to my brain what Liquid Plumber does to a hair clog. Or, I could carry through with my unwanted pregnancy, and give birth to a child I'm not ready for.

In all seriousness, the male perspective on sex would change drastically. The difference between getting someone pregnant, and becoming pregnant, is significant.

But if men could become pregnant, issues of emotion and possible guilt take precedence over any financial burden because, suddenly, they are ultimately responsible. I'm not sure I'd want that responsibility.

Is there a trade-off? If men can be pregnant, it certainly seems fair that women should face hair loss.

Imagine flipping through the channels late at night, and another annoying commercial has a familiar face and voice: "Hi, I'm Hillary Rodham Clinton. Not only am I the Hair Club president, I'm a former client!"

It seems logical that if I could be pregnant, I'd also have to deal with that ugly three-lettered acronym that seems to be responsible for 50 percent of all relationship problems.

Some guy out there is thinking, "At least now we have an excuse to be crabby once a month."

Assuming the sexes would switch genitalia in order for men to have this extraordinary capability, would men suddenly begin to suffer penis envy?

Back at the ballpark, Joe would say, "Hey Bob, the line for the restroom is awful. If we were women, all we'd have to do is point and shoot. I hope we can get back to the seats before the Cubs take the field."

Meanwhile, in the dugout, I contemplate how to explain to my manager that I cannot pinch hit. I'm about to experience the miracle of life, firsthand.

• Troy Petersen is a journalism junior. This is his first quarter as a Daily staff writer.

LETTERS

Additional points about bus service

Re: "Bus service slated for improvement," Mustang Daily 1/20

More than 600 Cal Poly trips were made on the city bus last year. How much of the campus would need to be paved to park the cars needed to accommodate these trips?

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Jackson settles civil suit; criminal molestation charges may linger

By Jeff Wilson
Associated Press

SANTA MONICA — Michael Jackson settled a child molestation lawsuit Tuesday on terms that left the alleged victim "very happy" and Jackson proclaiming his innocence, attorneys said.

Terms of the settlement weren't disclosed, although a source close to the case told The Associated Press that the teenager and Jackson agreed to a financial settlement "in eight figures," or between \$10 million and \$99 million.

Other media reports put the settlement figure anywhere from \$5 million to \$50 million.

"I am very happy with the resolution of this matter," said Larry Feldman, attorney for the 14-year-old boy. The boy, Feldman told reporters, was also "very happy with the resolution of this matter."

Feldman and Jackson attorneys Johnnie Cochran Jr. and Howard Weitzman met privately in the chambers of Superior Court Judge David Rothman before the announcement.

"We signed off on the deal. That was

it," Feldman said of the conference in chambers.

Experts said the settlement could cripple a criminal molestation investigation.

A joint statement from Weitzman and Cochran, and read by Cochran, proclaimed Jackson's innocence.

"Michael Jackson has maintained his innocence since the beginning of this matter and now, since this matter will soon be concluded, he still maintains that innocence," the statement said.

"The resolution of this case is in no way an admission of guilt by Michael

Jackson. In short, he is an innocent man who does not intend to have his career and his life destroyed by rumors and innuendo," it said.

Jackson will speak out publicly about the case at an undetermined time, his attorneys said.

The civil suit filed last September alleged Jackson, 35, committed sexual battery, seduction, willful misconduct, intentional infliction of emotional distress, fraud and negligence in a campaign to entice the boy.

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SALARIES

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The trustee said she felt the expertise of quality presidents saves more money than it costs to retain them.

"Wilson probably saved (the CSU) more than \$200,000 in the handling of (Northridge' last week)," she said.

A common refrain by those favoring the salary increases was the minute burden the raises placed on the CSU budget.

"We're being penny-wise and pound-foolish," one said.

"If we were to lose one (campus) president, just by accident," another said, "the cost in searching (for a replacement) and transition time would cost more than \$200,000."

Few in attendance were verbally opposed to the salary increases, but those that were protested vehemently.

California State Student Association representative Will Moten said pursuing the finest leadership available was an excessive luxury in a time of severe budget cutting.

"It seems like we're after the best-dressed captains on sinking ships," he said.

Prototype missile-finder launched at Vandenberg

Associated Press

VANDENBERG AIR FORCE BASE — An unmanned spacecraft named Clementine 1 roared off a launch pad Tuesday on a seven-month journey to explore the moon and an asteroid with sensors built for missile defense.

Science data collected when Clementine points its instruments at the moon next month and the asteroid Geographos next summer will be a byproduct of a \$75 million-plus mission primarily intended to test new defense technology.

The key instruments are five advanced sensors designed for detecting and tracking missiles, according to the Defense Department's Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, which jointly sponsored the mission with NASA.

A two-stage Titan 2G booster, a converted ballistic missile, lifted Clementine off at 8:34 a.m. PST and sent it southwestward over the Pacific.

PHONE MEET: Fiber optics fizzle competition

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Saturday's meet was Cal Poly's second phone contest.

And, just like AT&T promises to save you money on calls to mom the third Tuesday of the month between the hours of 3 and 7 a.m., phone meets can almost be paid for with a \$20 bill.

"Economically there is no way we could meet South Dakota," Firman said.

He guessed a trip to South Dakota would cost \$10,000 — the cost of 38 airline tickets, 12 hotel rooms for two nights, plus meal money.

Firman's Mustangs could swim in the confines of their own Mott Pool and compete against Oxford or a university in Beijing for the mere price of a phone call.

"Phone meets are a thing of the future — even in track," Firman said.

However, Cal Poly Track and Field Co-Director Terry Crawford voiced doubts about phone meets' role in sports.

"It might work on paper," she said. "But phone meets eliminate one of the major elements of competition that contributes to performances — head-to-head competition."

Not having someone next to you is a psychological disadvantage,

swimmer Jody Campbell said. Seeing someone in the next lane is a big motivational factor, she said.

Another possible con to phone meets includes the honesty of the coaches exchanging times.

But touch pads mounted in the pool would eliminate any dishonesty, he said.

The Future

Crawford said if phone meets in track occur, she hopes they are scheduled because of "extenuating circumstances" only — like inclement weather.

However, she said she would be intrigued to even attempt to run to a victory if someone on the other side of the world challenged her to a race through the phone lines.

And who knows, with technology advancing as fast as Carl Lewis used to run the 100-yard dash, phone meets may alter the future.

Virtual reality meets might evolve — swim meets from a bath tub. Perhaps, a soccer player could kick a ball against a screen and a computer print out would explain to her that her shot on goal missed wide right.

• Brad Hamilton is sports editor of the Daily. No Goal will return to Mondays after this week.

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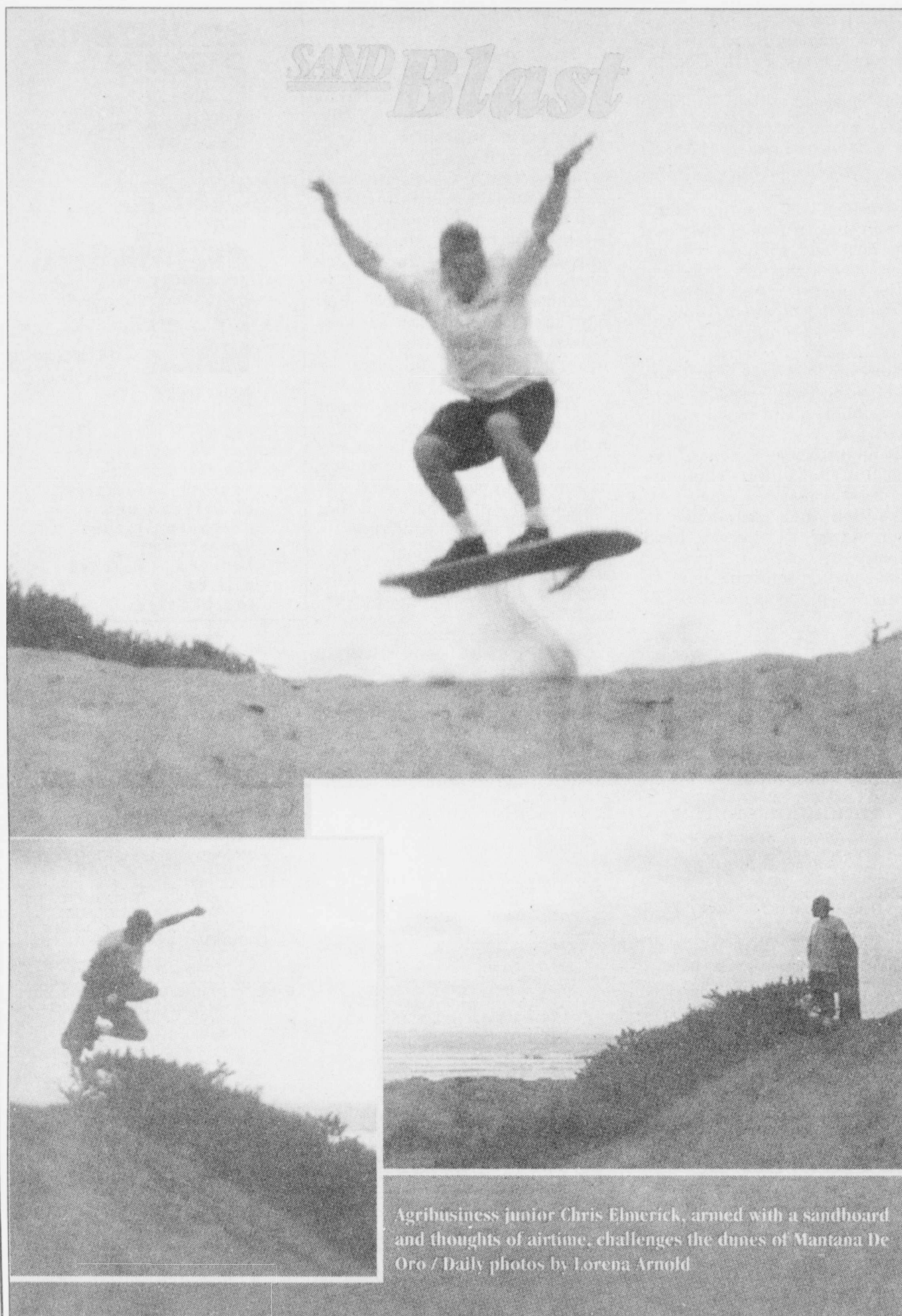
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STRANGE SPORTS



Agribusiness junior Chris Elmerick, armed with a sandboard and thoughts of airtime, challenges the dunes of Mantana De Oro / Daily photos by Lorena Arnold

Sandboarding

by Lorena Arnold

Name: Chris Elmerick

Age: 21

Major: Agribusiness junior

Years doing this: Two

How often do you sandboard? Once every two or three weeks, especially when the waves are blown out.

Most interesting aspect: You don't have to be very good to enjoy the sport. So it's easy to get friends involved.

Worst aspect of sandboarding: People claim that it weathers the dunes. I don't quite believe that because the wind naturally weathers and builds up the dunes again. The dunes in Pismo Beach have been ridden for years. I don't think it has that high of an impact.

Most memorable moment: When my friend, Kevin, ate it and banged up his leg. He went straight down and did not stop. He flipped and landed on the rail of the board.

Favorite place to sandsurf: Mantana De Oro

Best maneuver: "Method-Air" — it's a method from skateboarding. You pull the board behind you.

If you could sandboard with anyone in the world, who would you do it with and where? In Pismo Beach with my friends.

Why do what you do? It's a cross between snowboarding, surfing and skating. It's something different and fun to do with friends.

Novelty of equipment: Today I used a homemade board. It's different than surfing in the way that you need to wax the bottom of the board instead of the top. But same in the way that the board needs to be shaped with a little rocker (curvature of the board). The board shouldn't be totally flat or stiff.

Most embarrassing moment: Sitting in class and finding grains of sand in my ears and hair.

What do you think of your performance today? It wasn't good. I used a new board, and it was too flat.



Brad
HAMILTON

NO Goal

Phone meet offers peek at sports future

No, a phone meet is not a contest between Sally Struthers and John Ritter dialing for donations during a phone-a-thon as one student suggested.

A phone meet is oodles of phone company slogans bundled by a phone chord. "It's not an information highway. It's about you, me and Uncle Jack," as the little girl clad in colonial garb frolicking on the beach suggests in an MCI commercial.

With a little thumb pressure on seven to 15 buttons on the phone, it is the doorway to another dimension of sports.

Saturday Cal Poly's swim team competed in a phone meet against the University of South Dakota — more than 1,200 miles away. After Cal Poly's swimmers darted through the water in a backstroke or freestyle race, the poolside phone rang.

Two women scribbling numerals onto a scoring sheet also rattled off names and times — Krista Kiedrowski, 2:11.13, Jody Campbell, 54.50 — without any cheers or jeers, without spiking the phone down and pumping clinched fists like Kirk Gibson did when he hit a World Series winning homer off Dennis Eckersley.

An occasional score was announced — Cal Poly men's team 70, South Dakota men's team 42 — but few paid attention to the results filtering in over the fiber optic cables until Swimming and Diving Coach Rich Firman chuckled into the phone four times and told South Dakota's coach Ron Allen he predicted another Cal State Bakersfield national swimming title.

That Saturday, Firman's Mustangs were in the Mott Pool next to the defending champions. His teams were left high and dry against the Roadrunners. The men lost 116-89, and women lost 145-95. But the Mustangs resembled fish against the University of South Dakota. The men's team won 134-71, and the women won 140-65.

Saturday's results glowed with the positives and negatives of a phone meet.

Phone Meet Pros and Cons:

According to Firman and a couple of his swimmers, the phone meet essentially allows them to compete with anyone in the world if an operable phone is available.

"I would like to see us compete against one of the Ivy League schools since we are always likened to them academically," he said.

Due to scheduling woes, Firman said he may have to get on the phone to try and find new opponents when swimming — along with the rest of Cal Poly's sports — steps up to Division I.

Firman said a few Division I schools already take on each other over the phone. Stanford links up with teams like University of Texas, University of Florida and others located on the East Coast.

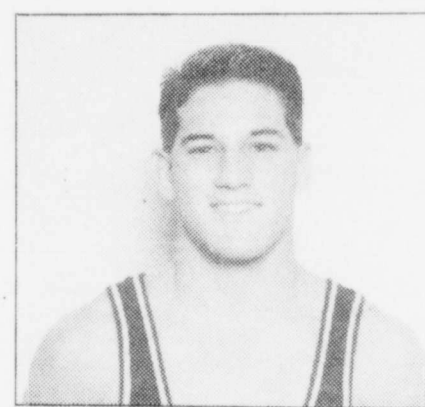
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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



KRISTA KIEDROWSKI

Swimming



TYSON RONDEAU

Wrestling

The freshman swimmer, also a volleyball red-shirt, accounted for half of her team's winning performances Saturday against Cal State Bakersfield. The Lodi native swam the 200-yard individual medley in 2:11.13. Her time fell under the national qualifying time of 2:11.25 and bettered the closest Cal State Bakersfield opponent's time by 6.49 seconds.

She also won the 200-yard backstroke by 6.79 seconds with her time of 2:09.14.

Kiedrowski already qualified for nationals Jan. 15 against UC-Santa Cruz in the 200-yard backstroke.

Runner up:

Swimming -- Despite battling soreness in her leg, senior Jody Campbell prevailed over a tough field of Cal State Bakersfield swimmers in the 100-yard freestyle. The Los Gatos native sprinted to a 54.50 second finish. She helped her team finish second in the 400-yard medley and freestyle relays.

Freshman Tyson Rondeau wrestled two quality matches Friday at the 118-pound weight class to lead his team to easy victories over San Francisco State and UC-Davis. Rondeau, from Phoenix, Ariz., pinned his first opponent 3:16 into the match. He handily defeated his second opponent 12-4.

The pin was the three-time Arizona high school champion's second of his collegiate career. Rondeau has wrestled to a 5-9 overall record — 5-5 in duals.

Runner up:

Swimming -- Sophomore Joe Madigan had his hand in two of the four victories the Mustangs mustered in the eleven swimming events against the Roadrunners.

The Grass Valley native touched the wall at 1:57.98 to win the 200-yard backstroke race. He also helped his team win the 400-yard medley relay by swimming the backstroke leg at a personal best pace.